

AMENDMENTS IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A magnetic recording and reproduction apparatus, comprising:

a main chassis having a rotatable head cylinder provided thereon;

a sub chassis on which a tape cassette is mountable; and

a plurality of tape pull-out members representing all tape pull-out members included in the magnetic recording and reproduction apparatus acting so as to pull out a tape from the tape cassette;

wherein:

the sub chassis is movable with respect to the main chassis between a tape cassette mountable position and a tape pull-out completion position, and the tape cassette mountable position is the position at which the tape cassette is mountable on the sub chassis and the tape pull-out completion position is the position at which information recording to, and information reproduction from, the tape which has been pulled out from the tape cassette and wound around the rotatable head cylinder can be performed; and

all the plurality of tape pull-out members are mounted on the sub chassis.

2. (Original) A magnetic recording and reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of tape pull-out members acts so as to pull out the tape from the tape cassette while the sub chassis moves from the tape cassette mountable position to the tape pull-out completion position.

3. (Original) A magnetic recording and reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the plurality of tape pull-out members is engaged with the main chassis.

4. (Original) A magnetic recording and reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising at least one cam section for driving at least one of the plurality of tape pull-out members; wherein the at least one of the plurality of tape pull-out members is engaged with a corresponding one of the at least one cam section, and the at least one cam section is provided on the main chassis.

5. (Original) A magnetic recording and reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a securing guide section provided on the main chassis and an elastic member provided on the main chassis; wherein when the sub chassis moves to a position in the vicinity of the tape pull-out completion position, a portion of one of the plurality of tape pull-out members contacts the elastic member and thus the one of the plurality of tape pull-out members is pressed to the securing guide section, so as to position the one of the plurality of tape pull-out members at a prescribed position.